



With Mideast Violence Unabated, U.S. and Russia to Issue Invitations for New Peace Talks. A Palestinian schoolgirl covering her ears Tuesday as she fled Israeli soldiers who were shooting at demonstrators protesting the killing of an Arab worker by a settler.

Clinton Agrees to \$55 Billion More in Spending Cuts

WASHINGTON — President Bill Clinton has agreed to about \$55 billion more in spending cuts over the next five years, responding to pressure from House and Senate Democrats and calculations by the Congressional Budget Office that he needed to cut more to reach his deficit-reduction target.

Mr. Clinton had asked Congress for \$470 billion in spending cuts over the next five years. The White House press secretary, Dee Dee Myers, said Mr. Clinton had "agreed to accept \$55 billion in additional cuts" following a meeting with the House Budget Committee. He has scheduled a meeting with the Senate Budget Committee, whose chairman, Senator Jim Sasser, Democrat of Tennessee, also said he contemplated that amount of cuts, many from "slowing some investment programs in the beginning."

Tuesday, "we'll work out a budget that the American people can be proud of." "I think that in the end there will be further cuts," he added, and there will be "a much more substantial reduction in the deficit than the estimates showed."

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Shrinking Budget Forces a New Look at Aid to Israel and Egypt

WASHINGTON — The administration has been forced by an influential Democrat in Congress to confront the delicate subject of whether the United States can afford to pour billions of dollars into Israel and Egypt in light of a shrinking foreign-aid budget and President Bill Clinton's determination to restructure the economy.

Pressure is coming from the voters, added Mr. Obey, who heads the subcommittee, to change the practice. "People routinely call my office and say, well, with the budget squeeze, can we expect that Israel and Egypt are going to be taking a part of that cut?"

Of the \$13.9 billion foreign aid budget for 1993, \$5.1 billion — or 36 percent — will be sent to Israel and Egypt. By contrast, aid to Russia for the last two years was \$650 million. Adding strain to next year's budget is the fact that Mr. Clinton has called for an additional \$300 million in additional aid for

His calm seems justified. Despite a flurry of reform movements in recent months, and the first real signs that the Liberal Democratic machine may be ready to splinter, Japanese are saying once again that they have no choice but to re-elect the Liberal Democrats.

Powerbroker's Hoard of Cash Stuns Even Cynical Japan

TOKYO — For years now, the old men who run Japan have been awash in allegations of corruption, stories of secret deals and envelopes of cash passing hands in the private rooms of Tokyo's most discreet restaurants.

But not even the Japanese, hardened into cynicism by five years of nearly constant scandals, were prepared for what prosecutors found Tuesday as they searched the home and offices of Shin Kanemaru, the man who ran the country from behind the scenes for the better part of a decade: Hundreds of pounds of gold bars, and something between \$30 million and \$60 million in cash and anonymous bearer bonds.

For three days now the evidence of years of powerbroking has been pouring out of the walls of Mr. Kanemaru's two houses and several offices, along with stories of shady influence-peddlers arriving with truckloads of money and deferential bankers all too willing to help Mr. Kanemaru conceal his transactions.

Yet, once again the surviving rulers of the party, though shaken, have made it clear that they see no reason to panic. The prime minister, Kiichi Miyazawa, has all but ignored the arrest of the man who put him in office, saying only that it is "a quite regrettable thing."

More Arrests In Kickbacks Shake Italy's Fragile Rule

Trial Likely for Craxi As Panel Recommends Lifting His Immunity

ROME — The head of Italy's state-owned energy concern and the president of one of its subsidiaries have been arrested on corruption charges, widening on Tuesday the bribery scandal that is shaking Italy and beginning to threaten the fragile nine-month-old government of Prime Minister Giuliano Amato.

In Milan, justice officials announced the arrest of Gabriele Cagliari, 66, chairman of Ente Nazionale Idrocarburi, or ENI, the giant state-owned energy concern.

On Tuesday morning, a parliamentary committee voted to recommend that Parliament lift the immunity as a deputy of Bettino Craxi, a former prime minister and Socialist Party leader.

er, so that he can stand trial on corruption charges. The full Chamber of Deputies must now give its approval, but that is considered a formality.

Early G-7 Talks on Russia Possible

WASHINGTON — There will probably be a meeting of the Group of Seven industrialized nations to discuss aid to Russia ahead of the meeting in Tokyo in July, President Bill Clinton said Tuesday.

declined to comment on the likelihood of such a meeting. France has said it wants a pre-conference meeting to coordinate the economic policies of member countries. A senior U.S. official had indicated Monday that Mr. Clinton was not persuaded of the need for such a meeting and it would be up to Mr. Mitterrand to persuade him.



BLOW FOR STEEL — Workers protest in Duisburg after Fried Krupp said it will close the local steel plant, the first to shut in Germany since World War II. Page 11.

Russia, in Words and Music Search for an Anthem Produces a Saga

MOSCOW — Fifty years ago, Sergei V. Mikhalkov co-wrote the Soviet Union's national anthem, a hymn to the glories of Stalin and the certain triumph of Leninism.

er. He helped orchestrate the repression of dissident authors Andrei D. Sinyavsky and Yuli M. Daniel, and used his position to accumulate a fortune. As an official of the Writers Union in the 1960s, he was accused of helping to set up a private bordello in Moscow.

From the Mouths of Cop-Killers, Lessons for the FBI

WASHINGTON — The cop-killer was deep in an eerie narrative, not bragging, not regretting, just lost in the vivid detail as he recalled casually ambushing a highway patrolman too busy with a clipboard and driver's license to see the end approaching.

Interviews with 50 murderers have produced the bureau's first sketch of a typical victim officer: someone with a tendency to use less force than other officers and to rely on an instinctive read of a situation and so drop his guard. By the testimony of the officer's killer as well as colleagues, the victim is likely to be a hard-working, laid-back person who "tends to look for good in others" and not follow all the rules, like waiting for backup help.

U.S. and France Set Limit on Bosnia

WASHINGTON (Combined Dispatches) — President Bill Clinton said he and President Francois Mitterrand of France agreed Tuesday that it would be an error to send more troops to Bosnia.

Mr. Mitterrand said at a joint press conference that he would take part personally in peace negotiations on the region under UN auspices. He did not say what form France's involvement would take.

General News: Bill Clinton leaves no ego untouched in his courtship of Congress. Page 3.

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Widen the Defense Cuts

President Bill Clinton has challenged his Republican critics to come up with specific proposals for budget cuts if they don't like his. The place for both parties to look for deeper cuts is the Pentagon.

When eight or nine will do. The CBO calls for 10 and cancellation of a new aircraft carrier. Even that modest cut would save \$14.6 billion in 1994-95.

World Trade Can't Wait

Rising exports will be crucial to the success of President Bill Clinton's economic plan. A steady increase in sales abroad is necessary to help provide new jobs and rising incomes.

all, was negotiated by President George Bush, and the Uruguay Round began under President Ronald Reagan. A lot of the resistance is coming from labor unions in threatened industries and from the left wing of the environmental movement.

Leave Mother Out of It

Old clichés never die, they rarely fade away, they even stand around after the fat lady sings. Take Saddam Hussein's promise that the Gulf War would be "the mother of all battles."

as "the mother of all inflation indicators." This has got to stop. Have we forgotten that Saddam made a fool of himself when he offered this prediction? Why should we want to paraphrase him anyway?

Other Comment

Adding Up National Service

The National Service Initiative announced by President Bill Clinton was deservedly greeted with great enthusiasm and hope. It would begin this June with "the Summer of Service" — a \$15 million pilot program employing more than 1,000 low-income teenagers for eight weeks in a variety of jobs focusing on education and leadership training.

would create more federal bureaucracy when many Americans want less. Mr. Clinton speaks often of "investing" in the nation's future — America's infrastructure, its technology and its people. He deserves support for his proposed National Service Program on the ground that this is an investment that can reap great benefits.

Mulroney: A Job Well Done

Prime Minister Brian Mulroney of Canada is stepping down at age 53 after successes that will hold his reputation high with historians. He is one of those remarkable conservatives in English-speaking countries who defined the 1980s, along with Ronald Reagan and Margaret Thatcher, and he made a more lasting imprint on his nation than most predicted when he rushed in from private life to rescue his sagging party in 1983.

Clinton Is Right to Get Straight to Work With Yeltsin

By Jim Hoagland

WASHINGTON — President Bill Clinton's decision to hold an early summit meeting with Boris Yeltsin is a significant departure from the caution that dominates other areas of his foreign policy.

for Vancouver and April. As it turns out, April the American president. By extending a helping hand to the Russian leader this early, Mr. Clinton and Mr. Christopher were taking a 4 falls one week before the national referendum Mr. Yeltsin has called on a new constitution in an effort to break the virulent political gridlock between Mr. Yeltsin and the People's Congress of Deputies.

turning home to take drastic action against his foes with the appearance of a green light from calculated risk. It turns out to be even more unpredictable than either probably expected. Russia remains the one area of foreign policy where Mr. Clinton displays as president the boldness he promised on the campaign trail.

other Russian democrats in developing the basic political skills and techniques on which parliamentary democracies run. Mr. Clinton will also bring along proposals for a targeted aid package, designed to help Mr. Yeltsin with two groups. The money will help reward reformers who are working to entrench democracy and a free market economy, and ease the suffering of those most hurt by the reforms.

Italy Looks Tangentopoli In the Eye and It Is Italy

By Enzo Biagi

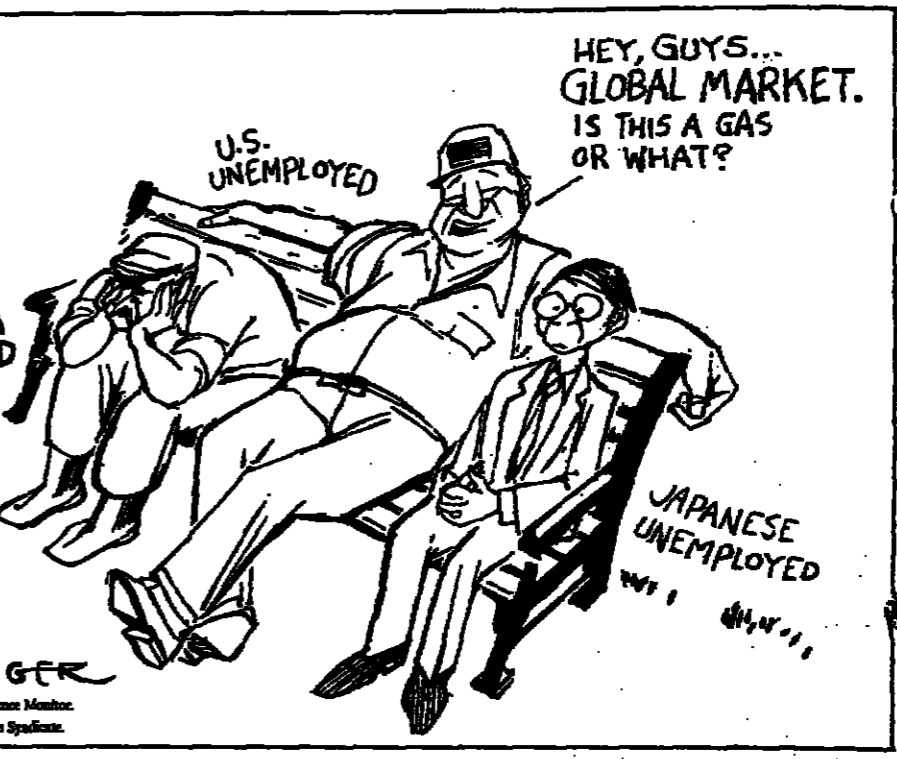
MILAN — I don't trust people who say, "The Italians are like that." Like what? My fellow Italians resist each and every assault on their freedoms, but for their difficulties. Dams burst, banks fail, mafiosi and terrorists escape, an electoral result disappoints.

In Italy, we pardon, we exonerate, we appeal, we reprove. We never take preventive action and, if all goes well, we restore. This goes for the budget, for our polluted rivers, for our government revenues.

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disposal. Meantime, appeals round because "Venice is dying," because the Colosseum and Arch of Constantine are tottering and the galleries and museums are closed when tourists arrive.

Notorious people and events that date back 20 years are emerging again from the chaos: secret societies, bankers who died mysterious deaths, greedy bureaucrats, shameless businessmen, even church leaders — many of these symbols of power.



Once Again, Kohl Comes Out on Top

By Jochen Thies

BONN — The outcome of the elections Sunday in Hesse state reflects greater continuity in Germany than the political parties would like to admit. In the long run, Chancellor Helmut Kohl, who had been visibly nervous in the past few weeks, has emerged as the winner and the Social Democratic Party as the loser.

70 percent — the lowest in Hesse since 1948 — is less a cause of worry than a sign of normalcy. Political squabbles can also mean containment. The German parties should, nonetheless, be clear about the voters' message: Act quickly on the asylum question or we will continue to punish you at the polls.

one day be able to turn the chancellor over to someone as yet unknown to the public, perhaps someone now in his 30s. Mr. Kohl has little esteem for today's crop of politicians in their mid-40s or early 50s. In his eyes, they are postmodernists lacking the toughness to weather the storms that are sure to buffet Germany from inside and out.

Mere Tinkering Won't Cure Health Care in America

By Anthony Lewis

NEW YORK — Redesigning American health care, as Hillary Rodham Clinton and her colleagues are now trying to do, is a task daunting in its scope and its difficulty. We are just the beginning.

Those two essential needs would be met by a reformed system that required the entities providing health care — wherever they are — to make it available to all individuals, regardless of prior conditions. Then, each organization providing care would be funded in accordance with the actuarial profile of its members — their likely medical needs.

world bill anyone. They would work within annual budgets. For the consumer there would be no bills, and no need to claim reimbursements. To state those necessary elements of reform is to realize, if one reflects, how difficult it is to frame a plan that attracts the needed support. Change has inherent tensions for all.

most Americans, when they are sick, tend to demand every test and procedure, regardless of how expensive it is or how remote its chance of success. That habit cannot be squared with a system that tries to hold down the nation's health costs. The great danger is that, in the end, President Clinton will be trapped merely to tinker with the existing system. Put in some new cost ceilings here, some incentives for managed care there. That might look easier than grasping the nettle of real reform.

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care and his current job." In the United States, unlike the rest of the industrialized world, most people get health insurance from their employer. The result is growing economic and human stress. Employees, beset by rising costs, seek to trim health plans. Employees feel betrayed and fear to move to better jobs or places because they may lose their health care.

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1893: King Cleveland? PARIS — Mr. John Russell Young, in a signed letter to the Herald this morning [March 10], says that the beginning of an Administration is always a kind of honeymoon, and the country is sure to be in love with it. It is not so sure what it will think about it later on.

Handwritten signature: J. Wagner

OPINION

Clinton Could Still Slow This Rush to Fix It All

By Charles Kranthammer

WASHINGTON — President Bill Clinton's most attractive characteristic — his boundless energy — is also his most alarming. His reformist zeal is harnessed to an engine that just won't quit. Within the first five weeks, he has promised to slash the deficit, remake American health care, "set a new direction for the world" on trade, "end welfare as we know it" and create a national service program that will "help make America young again."

There is little sense from Mr. Clinton that great reforms have a way of producing great if unintended harm. There is no sense of limits, of skepticism about government's capacity for precision, of respect for its capacity for failure. The president's rush to remake America draws on the Roosevelt analogy. Mr. Clinton, who made a pilgrimage to Hyde Park within a month of his swearing in, invokes FDR as his model. His inaugural address contained but two quotations. One was from St. Paul. The other was from FDR, promising "bold, persistent experimentation."



Morning in America.

Another outlet for Mr. Clinton's reformist zeal is industrial policy. In its most spectacular venture into industrial policy, the government poured \$15 billion down a rathole called synchrotron. Undaunted, Mr. Clinton promises Silicon Valley a government "partnership" (subsidies) for some high-tech business. How to select? The model for government picking industrial winners is Japan. Yet government subsidies made almost no contribution to Japan's great successes, autos and consumer electronics. The most recent industrial pick of Japan's near mythical Ministry of International Trade and Industry was the Fifth Generation computer project. It came to nothing. Meanwhile, the government-owned TV network poured billions into a high-definition television system that is already obsolete.

HDTV is instructive. The Europeans, who massively subsidized HDTV, too, will likely adopt whatever system emerges from — guess where? — the United States, the one place where government stayed out of HDTV. The result? Three private consortia have produced the most advanced systems in the world, all digital, that will become the industry standard. How good will Mr. Clinton be at picking? We get an inkling of his talent for targeting in the targeted tax breaks of his economic stimulus package. It boasts a capital gains tax cut for very small businesses but why should small businesses be preferred to large ones? This preference for smallness is mere prejudice. The only thing this tax break will produce is untold work for accountants and lawyers whose jobs it will be

Like, You Can Learn to Love This Word

By Jim Frederick

NEW YORK — Our elders would have us believe that we — the twentysomething generation, Generation X, the MTV generation — are doomed to fail, not in the least by our supposed grammatical ineptness. Paramount to our problems they

claim, is a tendency to pepper our dialogue with the word "like" as if it were a verbal tic, demonstrating our abysmal vocabularies and utter lack of neurological activity.

MEANWHILE

Don't believe it. Much more than the random misfire of a stunted mind, "like" is actually a rhetorical device that demonstrates the speaker's heightened sensibility and offers the listener added levels of color, nuance and meaning. Take the sentence, "I can't drive you to the mall because, like, my mom took the car to get her hair frosted." Here, "like" is a crucial phonic punctuation mark that indicates: "Important information ahead!" In our frenetic society, where silence is no longer powerful but completely alien, the dramatic pause doesn't carry much rhetorical clout.

We employ "like" to replace that now obsolete device. Or consider: "The human tongue is, like, totally gross." The use of "like" acknowledges that the tongue is not exactly totally gross but something similar to totally gross. It shows awareness that an indictment this harsh needs tempering.

We repeatedly display such linguistic savvy in everyday observations: "My dad is, like, an anal-retentive psycho." Both acknowledge that the concept of direct correspondence between word and meaning has been, since Ludwig Wittgenstein and Ferdinand de Saussure, little more than a deluded fantasy.

In a new, ingenious usage, the word "like" becomes a verb form employed to recount an earlier conversation. Consider, "And she was like, 'You told us all to meet in front of the Burger King.' And I was like, 'Whatever, you liar. Why would I when I knew it was going to snow?'"

The difficulty here in determining what was actually said is not a limitation, but rather the strength of "like" as a dialogical indicator. It allows us to present the complete experience of a conversation, not just one of its component parts. "Like" is more than a shabby substitute for "said" (as is commonly supposed), but a near equivalent of the word "mean."

Also, "like" is often a broker of diplomacy. In the sentence, "Tiffany, you, like, still owe me that \$10, you know," the skillful inclusion of "like" eases a potentially confrontational statement. The British do this sort of thing all the time with words like "rather," "quite" and "actually," and no one complains. Our generation is not nearly as bad off as we have been told. Hardly a generation of jacked-in, zoned-out illiterates, we the bike couriers, the paralegals, the skate punks and the mall rats are actually a generation of poets. With a sublime sensibility to the power of "like," we view our lives, indeed human existence itself, as a grand, eternal and ever-changing metaphor.

The writer is a senior at Columbia University, majoring in English. He contributed this comment to, like, The New York Times.

We Speak of Progress as We Edge Away

By Elizabeth Ann Hulick

PARIS — People keep harping on their global visions for what is not. So many catchy phrases are tossed around that it becomes easier to slip back into tranquilized spectator mode and watch as the 1990s unwind in carefully monitored images and obscure but confident words. It does not seem a reasonable question to ask what is the plan? What plan? Has there ever been a plan? Plans abound as always, and history will likely as before laugh at them. Plans for peace — to make it, or force it, or keep it — are revised and subjected to interpretation and considerations of probable cost and return on, well, investment. Some things going on in the world go beyond anyone's threshold of acceptability. Then the hue and cry goes up and the guys show up. Well, sometimes.

obvious, to problems of social justice and to the more general and enlightened idea that every little bit does count. We don't make anything new by watching the pictures float across the screen or by reading about what is going on until we become hypnotized. Somehow we like to think we are participating because we are informed, while the better informed we become the more impatient we feel to do anything at all. Even to get up and go to work. What's the use after all? We know what's going on out there and it's ugly. We console ourselves by thinking that things must be working, the world still turning, and even if it is not really as stable (not at all) as we would wish, all that ugliness is very far away from our pretty backyard, our pretty apartment. But we make the new in our own backyard, or at least that is the place to start. I tell myself this as I resolve to recycle, not to be so wasteful, to write a check to an organization that I feel does some good for someone who has nothing. As I try to think on how I play, on what affect I have or make on the planet and on my fellows, I feel myself easily and almost imperceptibly drawn back to the abstractions. They are so tempting and they are the easy way out. There are no fearless leaders. They are mere mortals. The masses of people are not swaying together in perfect harmony. We categorize people to better describe them in their similarities. And differences. Each of us, in one sense, is very much alone, and, oddly, therein lies the hope and responsibility we should share. Our seemingly inconsequential actions toward the good of the planet and one another do make a difference if we think they do and if we want them to. Or rather, if we accept the fact that our little drop in the bucket does fill it up that much more for better or for worse. Without this element of participation, the rest is just so much idle talk, mere a diversion than progress in any direction. We need to look at how we are with the world, right here, right now, right here at home, and then act in the small but positive ways we can toward making this complicated little blue ball a little cleaner, a little more humane, a little safer, a little newer. Nothing else matters so much. Or will at last matter at all.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Send the Serbs a Message

As long as the weapons embargo remains in effect against the Bosnian government, the Serbs will continue to expand their conquest and pursue their "ethnic cleansing." Even more disappointing that the West's protection of the Serbian weapons monopoly is the silence of the Islamic world.

STJEPAN BALOG, Warren, Michigan.

What is taking place in Bosnia today is a disgrace to the Serbs, a disgrace to the so-called community of democratic nations, and a disgrace to those so-called United Nations. If military inter-

vention is necessary anywhere in the world now, it is without a shadow of a doubt in Bosnia. What is happening in Bosnia is not a war, it is a racist act, based on the concept, popular in the 1930s and '40s, of "ethnic purification."

RASSEM ZAOUK, London.

The Serbs must be attacked, or at least convincingly threatened, with maximum force, as happened with Japan in World War II. Persuade our allies to adopt this course and a very useful precedent will have been set in relation to other tyrants.

COLIN R. MERTON, London.

No, Serbia Is Under Threat

I find the U.S. government's attitude toward Serbia most unfair. In both world wars the Serbs fought valiantly on the side of justice and freedom. Their human losses, in both cases, at the hands of the Croats and Germans were enormous. Serbia's current hope is to create a condition that will avoid a recurrence of this.

JOHN F. TRIPP, Sydney.

Excuse Me, Mr. Reagan

Regarding "Excuse Me, Mr. Clinton, I Must Have Misheard You" (Feb. 20): Former President Ronald Reagan is

already digging at President Bill Clinton's economic policies and sermonizing about the responsibility of Congress and the president to cut spending. But was it not Mr. Reagan who supported "star wars," a completely fruitless exercise that could have ended up costing Americans countless billions of dollars?

It must be remembered that policies of Mr. Reagan and President George Bush have brought deep recession to the world's most powerful economy and untold misery to other countries as well. I suggest that Mr. Reagan give the new president a chance to undo this enormous damage.

A. K. PALIT, Calcutta.

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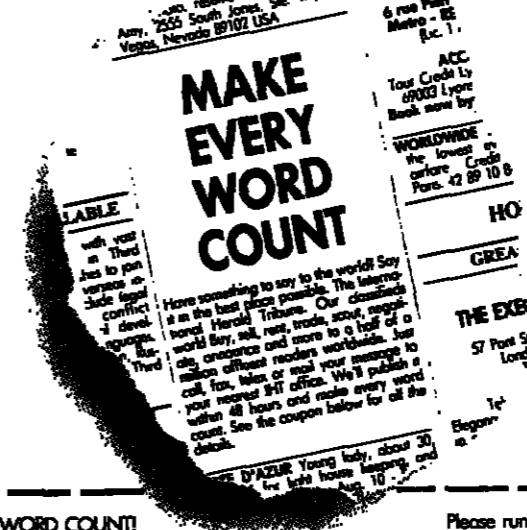
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BUDGET: Clinton Agrees to Cuts

(Continued from page 1) about \$67 billion short of his target of reducing the deficit over the next five years. Mr. Clinton promised to abide by budget office estimates to avoid criticism he was resorting to budgetary gimmicks or "smoke and mirrors" — a criticism that the Democrats frequently leveled against the Bush administration. House Budget Committee sources said the \$55 billion cumulative figure was "in the ballpark."

AID: Looking at Israel and Egypt

(Continued from page 1) military equipment from the United States under the assumption that there will be continuing American aid to pay for it over the years. "It is, in fact, going to be virtually impossible for this committee to consider reductions in aid to that region over the next decade if those military contracts continue to be signed because of the principle of co-called cash flow financing," said Mr. Obey, who called for an end to the practice. Mr. Djerjian said: "The Egyptian economy remains dominated by large, inefficient public sector monopolies, the activities of private businessmen remain heavily restricted, and the regulatory environment remains extremely uncertain. On another foreign aid issue, Mr. Djerjian said to give Jordan \$50 million in security aid has been withheld by Congress because of Jordanian support for President Saddam Hussein of Iraq after his 1990 invasion of Kuwait. Mr. Djerjian said that he would recommend shortly to Mr. Christopher that he release the funds, in part to support Jordan's helpful role in the Middle East peace negotiations. He also said that in recent months Jordan had tightened sanctions against Iraq.

KILLINGS: FBI Lessons for Cops

(Continued from page 1) the past decade, two of the killers were women. "Our bottom line is, 'Don't listen to us; listen to the killers,'" Mr. Davis said as the next taped killer filled the television screen at an FBI office here. The killer, a meek, slender young man, offered a clipped, authoritative critique of why his victim, an officer stopping him after an armed robbery, was too careless for his own good. "He did not take control of me," said the young felon, as if that was why he now faces a lifetime in prison. The interviews, conducted under a painstaking method adapted from the bureau's protocol for serial killers and rapists, averaged more than five hours each. The focus ranged from the killers' recollections of their childhoods to their rationales, feelings and detailed descriptions of killing police officers. A few officers viewing the tapes have objected to the pragmatic, unaccusing style of Mr. Davis, a 52-year-old veteran officer and FBI agent, and Mr. Pinizzotto, a 42-year-old psychologist. The two members of the FBI's uniform crime reports section take this as a compliment in their stated assurance to the killers of not taking over guilt and blame but salvaging some life-saving clues for killers as well as victims. They are already emphasizing the need to deal with a glaring shortcoming they have found: the death of training in what to do when a gunman has control of an officer. To draw in turn is folly, the FBI has found, just as to surrender a police pistol can also be fatal.



One deputy handing another a hard-line newspaper on Tuesday.

Rumors and Fear in Russian Legislature

By Margaret Shapiro Washington Post Service MOSCOW — An emergency session of Russia's supreme legislature beginning Wednesday has sparked near-hysteria in political circles, with rumors of military coups, dark conspiracies and even assassination plots. But there is a curious gap between the political rhetoric that has filled Russian media and the political weariness of many citizens, tired of constitutional crises and power struggles. "Who's going to launch a coup on these salaries?" asked Olga Timofeyeva, 27, a housewife, reflecting a common view that further

muddle and paralysis are likelier than any explosion. The stakes are high for this session of the Congress of People's Deputies, dominated by hard-line nationalists, unrepentant Communists and self-described centrists determined to reverse President Boris N. Yeltsin's free-market changes and pro-Western foreign policy. The Congress was called in an effort to resolve a debilitating power struggle over who should rule Russia, Mr. Yeltsin or the Congress. Mr. Yeltsin has urged the legislators to approve a clear power-sharing agreement or to call a referendum so voters can decide proposals that increasingly recalcitrant legislators have only mocked thus far. "The democrats are not strong enough to push the reforms, and the opposition is not strong enough to stop them," said one liberal legislator, Anatoli Shabard. "And this fighting only hastens the collapse of the country."

ANTHEM: Russia Seeks Its Music

(Continued from page 1) was, from 1956 to 1977, a "song without words." Finally, the nation's leaders had the courage to commission Mr. Mikhailov to produce a new version, cleansed of Stalin glorification. "Times changed, and corrections had to be made," Mr. Mikhailov said with a shrug. And every day at 6 A.M., from Kaliningrad to Khabarovsk, Soviet citizens awoke to Mr. Mikhailov's hymn on the radio. Today, Mr. Mikhailov, Hero of Socialist Labor and three-time winner of the Stalin Prize, has lost no faith in his own abilities. Although he said he mourned the death of the Soviet Union, he was ready to write a Russian anthem, "if there is a need."

He is one of three co-chairmen of a commission to judge the 4,000 proposals for lyrics garnered during two years of competition. (The government has decided that the words will be set to a patriotic hymn by the 19th-century Russian composer Mikhail Glinka.) But judging the competition, Mr. Mikhailov said with another dismissive shrug, will take "two minutes." As to what Russia should stand for, Mr. Mikhailov said he did not know, but he does not worry about it much. What is needed in an anthem, he said, is professionalism.

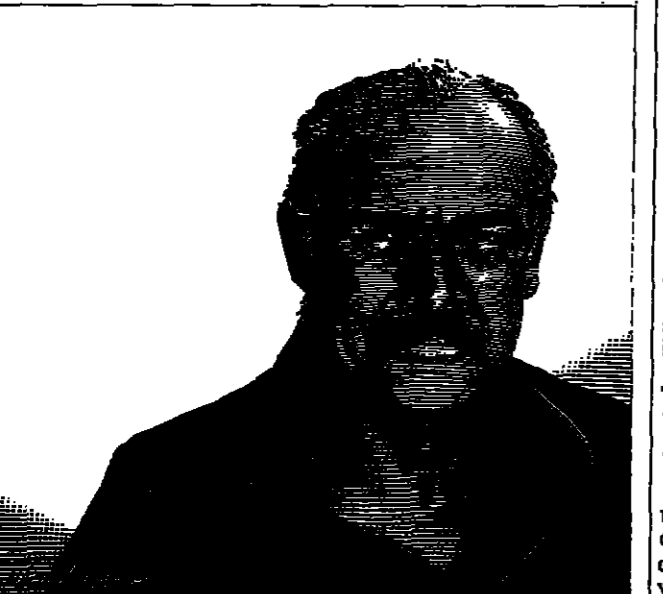
Clinton and Nixon Find a Common Goal

By Thomas L. Friedman New York Times Service WASHINGTON — As political odd couples go, Bill Clinton and Richard Nixon surely rank with the oddest. But there they were, the Vietnam hawk and the Vietnam dove, sitting around the White House living room, bonded together by their shared feelings about Russia. Never mind that Mr. Nixon rose to the presidency riding the issue of opposition to Communist Russia, while Mr. Clinton's only noteworthy experience with the place was a youthful tourist visit, for which he was attacked during the presidential campaign. On Monday, both men find themselves sharing the same political trench in the renewed debate over how much aid to give Russia, at a time when his first democratically elected president is at risk of being toppled. Just to make things interesting, commanding the opposite trench in this debate is Mr. Nixon's secretary of state, Henry M. Kissinger, who has been warning in recent articles about the dangers of the West going overboard in rebuilding Russia, without regard to Russian history. If America aids Russia to the exclusion of other former Soviet republics, Kissinger argues, it could find itself in a few years having to deal with the resurgent imperialist-minded Russia of old. Mr. Kissinger has not been invited to the Clinton living room. Mr. Clinton invited Mr. Nixon to the family quarters, though, after a 40-minute phone conversation between the two Wednesday. Some of Mr. Clinton's boys of 20- and 30-something aides, many of whom were in nursery school during Watergate, angled to get a glance at the former president, whose arrival at the White House seemed to spark almost as much curiosity as that of the Dallas Cowboys last Friday. "Everyone was intrigued," said a White House official. "It came up at the staff meeting this morning. People just said: 'Can you believe this? Nixon's coming.' But the fact is, he has something to offer."

Mr. Nixon's crusade on behalf of Russia aid appears to be based on both a heartfelt historical judgment about the merits of such assistance and a personal calculation as to how it can serve him politically. For in seeking to drum up American support for President Boris N. Yeltsin, Mr. Nixon is not only rehabilitating the Russian leader, but also himself. Last March, when President George Bush decided to lie low on foreign policy and play down the Russian aid question, it was Mr. Nixon's speeches and articles on the issue that embarrassed Mr. Bush into taking more aggressive steps to help Mr. Yeltsin, through enactment of the \$417 million Freedom Support Act. "It is all part of a very successful Nixon campaign for re-president," observed a longtime Nixon-watcher, Daniel Schorr, who was on Mr. Nixon's infamous enemies list. For almost 20 years now, Mr. Nixon, who resigned in disgrace, has been trying to be accepted as an honorable former president, like Jimmy Carter, Gerald Ford and Ronald Reagan. Being invited to the White House living quarters by Mr. Clinton to talk about foreign policy is a major step in his comeback. As for Mr. Clinton, he not only shares Mr. Nixon's views on the need for America to be forthcoming in aiding Russia, but he also understands that Mr. Nixon can be very useful in garnering Republican support for any large-scale increase in American assistance to Mr. Yeltsin. That would almost certainly be a controversial idea during the current budget debates. "Nixon can cover Clinton on the right, and Clinton will take care of the left himself," said Robert Horvath, vice chairman of Goldman Sachs International and a specialist on the Russian aid question. Foreign policy aides to Mr. Clinton are fully aware of Mr. Nixon's views. He did not have to come to the White House to convey them. But it is precisely that symbolic act that is politically useful, although Mr. Clinton clearly was not quite ready to show off his new friend. Photographers and journalists were barred from the meeting. Still, it was widely advertised.

7 Police Hurt in French Riot

NANTES, France — Seven policemen were injured early Tuesday in clashes with about 1,000 rioting fishermen angered by cheap imports, police officials said. Three policemen were hospitalized.



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ITALY: Executives' Arrests Shake Fragile Government

(Continued from page 1) test over the amnesty decree, said on Tuesday that "the government's days are numbered." The public works minister, Francesco Meconi, said the fate of the cabinet, Italy's 50th since World War II, "will be decided in the next few days." On Monday, Justice Minister Giovanni Conso, who opposed the amnesty, also threatened to resign. On Tuesday, he said he would make a decision toward the end of the week. The departure of Mr. Conso, a key minister and member of the Christian Democrats, the largest bloc in Parliament, would almost certainly signal the government's demise. Opposition leaders, including Achille Occhetto, the leader of the Democratic Party of the Left, have been calling for Mr. Amato to make way for a broad-based government of national salvation. But the Socialist Party leader, Giorgio Benvenuto, echoing others from the governing coalition, warned against such a step. "A leap into the dark would be grave," he said. In Milan on Monday, Mr. Amato was jeered and spat upon by hecklers shouting "down" and "thieves" as he tried to give a speech at Bocconi University. At

JAPAN: Police Find Millions at Kanemaru's Home

(Continued from page 1) think on their own." Japan's biggest opposition party, the Socialists, have been in more disarray than ever, unable to profit even marginally from endless scandals. On Monday, as prosecutors began building their case, the Socialists were busy debating whether to end their decades-old official support for the hard-line Communist regime in North Korea in favor of the South. (They did.) Given several opportunities to question Mr. Takashita and other leaders in Diet hearings about the latest influence peddling scandals, the Socialists blew it, asking only about what they read in the newspapers. But the party is still so far out on the fringe that even its leadership — which took money from Mr. Kanemaru for years just to keep up the appearance of a contest — has no real expectation of running of the world's second largest economy. Nor do a range of smaller opposition groups, from the Communists — who are consumed these days by an ongoing debate over whether their 100-year old honorary leader betrayed them before World War II — to a number of minor parties that broke away from the Liberal Democrats. For months, there has been widespread talk of a merger of

smaller opposition groups, including the Japan New Party, another recent reformist party that has claimed a First party success. But no one believes it can be done without money, and as Mr. Kanemaru's apartment showed, the Liberal Democrats are the champion fund-raisers. Mr. Miyazawa has vowed to finally pass a wide-ranging political reform package that would make many of the transactions public. "The lesson for the whole nation to draw from this symbolic episode is that we are still politically immature in tolerating corruption to such a degree," the Mainichi Shinbun, a major daily, said in an editorial.

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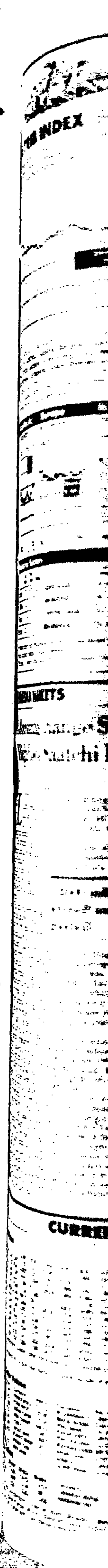
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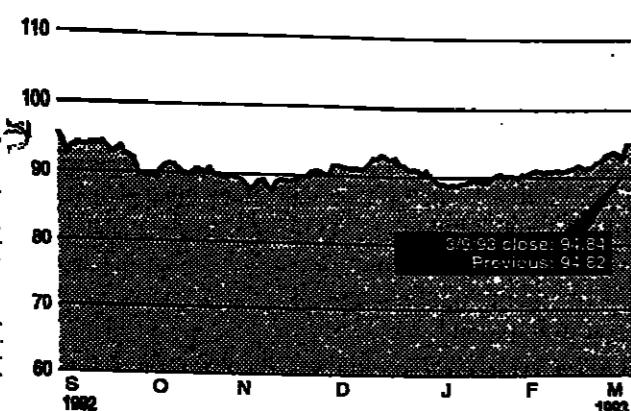


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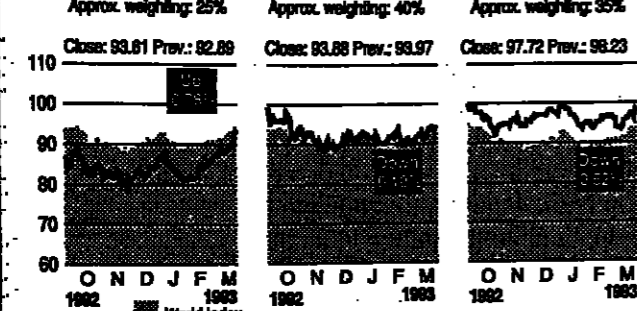


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MEDIA MARKETS

Accounting Change Shows High Cost of Satchi Deals

By Jude Webber

LONDON — Forced by an accounting-rule change to admit it overpaid for acquisitions, Satchi & Satchi PLC said Tuesday it had a \$595.1 million (\$872.7 million) loss last year...

A \$600 million write-off undercuts goodwill

This shift effectively recognizes that the company paid too much for some recent acquisitions, said Charles Scott, the finance director. Satchi went on a buying binge in the 1980s...

Satchi said that without the \$600 million write-down, its pretax profit before nonrecurring items was \$18.9 million, above analysts' forecasts of \$14 million to \$17 million. The net 1992 loss was \$613.7 million, compared with \$57 million a year earlier...

PepsiCo Invests in Hungary

U.S. Firm Buying Soft-Drink Maker

BUDAPEST — PepsiCo said Tuesday it was buying a Hungarian soft-drinks and mineral-water company...

The purchase by Pepsi, which entered Eastern Europe in 1965, is the latest in a stream of investments there by American food and beverage companies...

Under the deal, Pepsi is buying 79 percent of FAU from the Hungarian government for an undisclosed amount. The remaining 21 percent will be held by employees, the city of Budapest and other local-government authorities.

Mr. Jones said although FAU was profitable now and Hungary had lifted all foreign-exchange controls for business deals two years ago...

Hungarian officials said the sale would help their program to sell state-owned assets. Pepsi's acquisition and planned investment shows Hungary will remain one of the most attractive Central European markets for foreign investors...

Mr. Jones said in an interview that Pepsi was refashioning its East European strategy by taking control of local partners instead of using franchisees.

Japan Plays Catch-Up Tokyo Considers Help for High-Tech

By David E. Sanger

TOKYO — In the first indication that Japan is preparing to respond to President Bill Clinton's proposed competitiveness initiatives, a senior official said Tuesday that the country may be forced to begin new, government-led research-and-development projects to restore Japan's position in electronics and computing.

Noboru Hatakeyama, the vice minister of international trade and industry, also harshly criticized Japanese technology companies, saying they had grown "lazy" and "intoxicated" by their own success in the late 1980s.

The result, he said, was that Japan failed to master some critical technologies — he specifically mentioned microprocessors and computer workstations — and that a concerted effort would be needed in coming years to catch up.

"We cannot keep losing," said Mr. Hatakeyama, who is the man responsible for overseeing the country's industrial strategies. "Up until now we never thought that some industries have lost competitiveness," he said. "But now we have to face up to it."

AmEx and Primerica in Talks To Create Huge Retail Broker

By Lawrence Malkin

NEW YORK — Talks are under way between American Express and Primerica to create a huge new retail brokerage firm, the two companies said Tuesday.

The transaction would also take American Express, the troubled travel giant, out of the business of selling stocks and bonds and undo an ill-conceived combination dating from the 1980s.

Both parties confirmed that they were negotiating to merge the brokerage operations of Shearson Lehman Brothers with Primerica's Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co. unit. The transaction would bring together 11,400 brokers, rivaling Merrill Lynch & Co. in size as the United States' largest securities firm and matching its \$13.4 billion in revenue.

Wall Street responded to the news by boosting the stocks of both companies. American Express rose \$1.125 to \$27.875 and was the second most active issue on the Big Board, and Primerica surged \$4.75 to \$44.75 a share.

had been made for new research-and-development initiatives, and he suggested it would be several years before they came together.

But on a more urgent basis, he added, his ministry hoped to begin an effort that mirrors one of the U.S. administration's highest technology priorities: building a new, far more sophisticated telecommunications infrastructure. The idea, he said, would be "very similar" to the administration's effort to build an information superhighway that would lead to a national high-speed computer network.

Mr. Hatakeyama's comments were particularly striking because the critiques he offered about Japan, and the solutions he proposed, exactly mirrored the criticisms of the United States that have been offered there for years. Time and again, officials from Mr. Hatakeyama's ministry have lectured visitors about what American industry has to learn from Japan: a focus on the long term and a willingness to cooperate between business and government.

But on Tuesday he painted a very different picture of Japanese industry, describing some of the country's biggest industrial powerhouses as it.

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West Germany Slides Deeper Into Recession

By Ferdinand Protzman

BONN — Western Germany's economy slipped more deeply into recession late last year as exports and investment in capital goods declined sharply, causing the gross domestic product to contract by 1.0 percent in the fourth quarter from the third, the Economics Ministry said Tuesday.

Figures released by the Federal Statistics Office in Wiesbaden showed that the Western German economy deteriorated steadily over the course of last year as the global downturn took its toll on exports and post-unity problems in Eastern Germany limited corporate investment. Western Germany's economy, which by itself is Europe's largest, has not registered growth since the first quarter of 1992.

The West German economy is expected to contract by 1 percent this year. That complicates the dilemma facing the Bonn government, which is struggling to rekindle growth in the West while simultaneously paying the enormous bills of rebuilding the East.

After growing by 1.5 percent in the first quarter of 1992, Western Germany's gross domestic product, which measures total output of goods and services, showed zero growth in the second quarter and contracted by 0.5 percent in the third quarter. For the full year, GDP was up 1.5 percent from 1991.

Overall German GDP, which includes Eastern Germany, grew by 2.0 percent after adjustment for inflation. That compares with 3.7 percent growth in 1991. Eastern Germany's economy expanded by 6.8 percent, but that was due primarily to massive infusions of funds from Bonn to support public-works projects, employment schemes and social welfare.

Economics Minister Günter Rexrodt said the figures from Eastern Germany did not indicate a self-sustaining upturn had begun there. The growth was fueled mainly by a boom in construction, much of which was paid for by the German government.

It will be the first closing of an entire German steel plant since the end of World War II. Hoesch-Krupp, which last month said it would close either its Duisburg-Rheinhausen or Dortmund plant, said shutting Rheinhausen could save more than 500 million Deutsche marks (\$300 million) a year and still leave it enough capacity at Dortmund.

About 2,400 of the 4,500 job cuts will come at Dortmund. The company also projected a loss of 500 million DM this year, its first as a merged company.

Milan Stocks and Lira Pounded by Scandals

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

MILAN — Italian stocks and the lira tumbled on Tuesday as Italy's widening corruption scandal touched more leading businessmen and threatened the country with a government crisis.

The Milan stock market's MIB index fell 37 points, or 3.18 percent, to 1,128. The lira plunged against the dollar, breaking the 1,600 barrier for the first time in seven years to hit 1,613 briefly. It closed at 1,598 in Milan, still down sharply from Monday's close of 1,580. But in later New York trading, the lira extended its losses (Reuters/Lloyd's Bank).

"People are really talking" about the prime minister, Giuliano Amato, resigning, "and that may well happen," said a trader at Albertini & Co.

Late in the afternoon, though, the lira and Italian bonds recovered some of the ground they had lost during the session after several cabinet members said the government would not be resigning over its controversial efforts to find a political settlement to the continuing crackdown on corruption.

The stock market's official close came before that announcement.

On the Italian futures mar-

ket, the June contract based on the 10-year government bond was down 0.56 of a point at 96.77. The contract has been as low as 96.2.

The lira was at 959 to the Deutsche mark, compared with 965 lire just before the announcement and 971 at one point. Late Monday, the lira was at 951 to the mark.

A trader at Credito Italiano said Italian bonds and the lira would remain under pressure for quite some time, however, because the government had been weakened by criticisms of its measures to soften the corruption investigations.

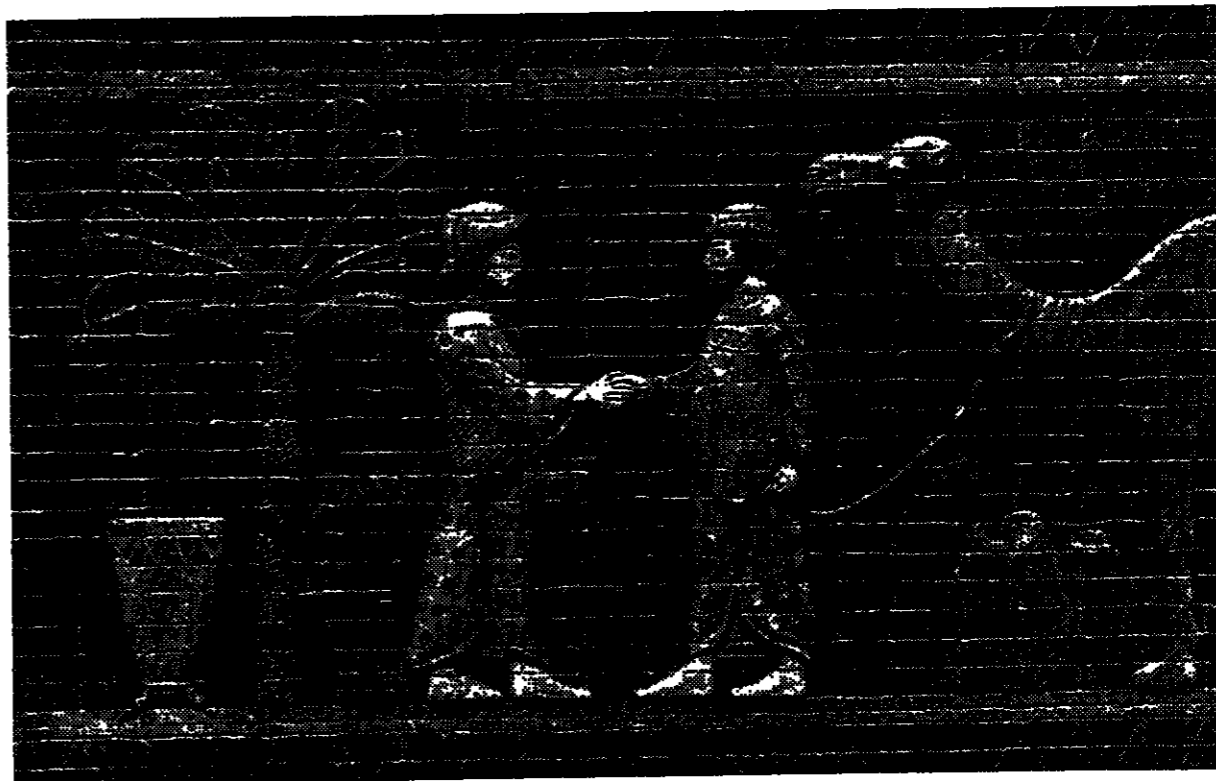
Italy's judges on Monday arrested the highest-ranking business executive so far in the crackdown, Gabriele Cagliari, chairman of the \$30 billion-a-year state energy holding company, Ente Nazionale Idrocarburi. Also arrested was Franco Ciatti, the president of ENI's quoted engineering subsidiary, Nuovo Pignone SpA.

They are accused of making political donations in exchange for a contract to provide turbines to Italy's state electrical utility, Enel.

The year-old crackdown has so far forced three cabinet members to resign.

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Stocks Keep Gains While Bonds Falter

NEW YORK — The stock market clawed to a small gain Tuesday, led by strength in companies that benefit from low interest rates.

The Dow Jones industrial average rose 2.70 points, to 3,472.12, a record. On Monday, the average soared 64.84 points, advancing 15.50 points.

There is nowhere else to go with money but stocks," said Don Hayes, investment strategist at Wheat First-Butcher & Singer.

Bond investors apparently agreed. For the second straight day, an early Treasury bond rally fizzled. Unlike Monday, when large gain was cut to a small one, the bellwether 30-year bond ended Tuesday with a loss. It fell 11/32 point, raising its yield to 6.74 percent from 6.72 percent.

Even with the small rise, bond yields remain near the lowest levels in decades. "You've got low interest rates, and even with inflation possibly creeping back in, the only place you can get big returns is the stock market," said Kenneth Duquey, director of trading at BT Brokerage.

Equities held Monday's advance, even though many investors sold 1.6635 DM on Monday, and at 5.6525 French francs, up from 5.6405.

Analysts said that in the absence of fresh U.S. economic news, the market focused more on Europe's political problems, particularly French parliamentary elections March 21 and March 28 and Italy's political crisis.

The lira plunged, closing at 1,607.50 to the dollar, down from 1,583.00 on Monday. Analysts said the lira came under intense selling pressure after Italy's anti-corruption campaign netted its latest suspect — Gabriele Cagliari, the president of the state energy conglomerate Ente Nazionale Idrocarburi.

Italy's central bank stepped into the market when the lira plunged on news of the executive's arrest. Meanwhile, the market remained weak amid speculation that the Bundesbank would lower interest rates again next week.

The market came under pressure on expectations the Bundesbank would reduce its main interest rates March 18. But the market also reacted to unconfirmed reports that the German central bank had intended to keep the dollar from rising.

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The dollar was up to 117.25 yen from 116.750. "The yen doesn't deserve to be so strong right now," said Jim Macario, vice president at Bank of Boston. At Tuesday's New York closing level, the yen is just below its post-World War II high of 115.85 to the dollar, set Feb. 22.

A slumping economy such as Japan's does not justify such a strong currency, Mr. Macario said. Based on the current economic situation, the yen should be at 120 to the dollar or more, he said. "The yen became incredibly strong very quickly on rumors," Mr. Macario said.

The dollar also ended higher against major European currencies as traders focused on European political uncertainties.

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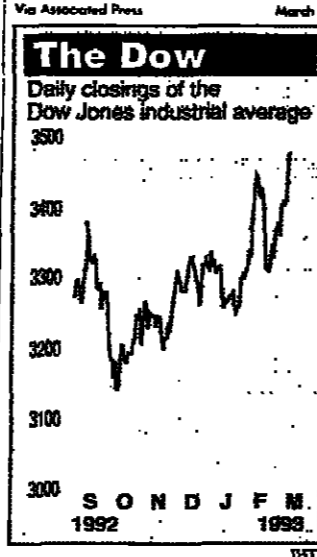


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Kantor Signals Tough Trade Stance

WASHINGTON (Combined Dispatches) — Trade Representative Mickey Kantor told Congress on Tuesday that the Clinton administration intended to "champion open markets and expanded trade" but also would demand that other countries open their markets to U.S. goods.

Mr. Kantor, in his first testimony to Congress since taking office, repeated many themes sounded by President Bill Clinton on Feb. 26, when he promised to "compete, not retreat."

He said the administration was prepared to walk away from a free-trade pact with Mexico and Canada unless the countries could agree on deals to protect the environment and worker rights. He also signaled a tough negotiating stance with Europe, Japan and China on trade matters, and indicated Mr. Clinton would seek less than a two-year extension of negotiating authority for a world trade pact.

Mr. Clinton, meanwhile, said the agreement limiting subsidies to U.S. aircraft makers and Airbus Industrie must be honored. (AP, Bloomberg)

Productivity Growth at 20-Year High WASHINGTON (Bloomberg) — High unemployment and technology contributed to the biggest gain in U.S. worker productivity in two decades during 1992, government figures showed on Tuesday.

Nonfarm productivity, or output per hour of a worker, rose a revised 2.8 percent last year after gaining 0.5 percent in 1991, the Labor Department said. It was the largest annual increase since a 3.1 percent gain in 1972.

Separately, the Commerce Department said wholesale inventories decreased 0.1 percent in January, the first decline since September, when sales increased 1.7 percent, the most since July.

Heinz Profit Up, Forecast Down PITTSBURGH (Bloomberg) — H.J. Heinz Co. said Tuesday third-quarter earnings rose 44 percent on the strength of higher sales, although it lowered its full-year earnings forecast to \$2.50 a share.

Heinz earned \$162.3 million, or 62 cents a share, in the three months ended Jan. 27, compared with \$115.3 million, or 43 cents, a year earlier. President Anthony O'Reilly, citing currency fluctuations in Europe, said Heinz cut its full-year earnings forecast to \$2.50 a share from \$2.60.

Dell Computer Profit Doubles AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Dell Computer Corp. reported Tuesday another doubling of its quarterly and annual profit, continuing a blistering growth rate despite some recent trouble with a stock offering and questions about its currency trading.

Dell earned \$31.5 million, or 77 cents a share, in the fourth quarter ended Jan. 31. A year earlier, it earned \$15.4 million, or 41 cents a share. Revenue was \$620.3 million, up 117 percent from \$285.7 million.

For the Record GTE Corp. offered 26,000 salaried workers, or 32 percent of its U.S. staff, incentives to voluntarily leave the company. (Knight-Ridder)

Westinghouse Electric Corp.'s senior debt rating was lowered by Standard & Poor's Corp. to BBB from A-. (AFX)

Gold Falls to a 7-Year Low NEW YORK — Gold futures took a hammering Tuesday as the April contract posted a new life-of-contract low after prices in London were fixed at a seven-year low.

The afternoon price was fixed in London at \$326.95, the lowest level since Jan. 3, 1986.

Commodity funds were active sellers on the New York Commodities Exchange after Australian producers sold overseas. The Comex's April contract settled at \$377.20, down 30 cents, after touching a low of \$326.30. Some traders said the bounce back above \$327 could mean prices are near bottom.

WORLD STOCK MARKETS

Large table titled 'WORLD STOCK MARKETS' showing stock market data for various international markets including Amsterdam, Brussels, Frankfurt, London, Milan, Paris, Sao Paulo, Singapore, Stockholm, Toronto, Zurich, and others.

Airline Official Is Arrested

SYDNEY — The deputy chairman of Southern Cross Airlines was arrested Tuesday night, accused of misleading the carrier's board about a refinancing, the Australian Securities Commission said Wednesday.

Douglas Reid, deputy chairman and secretary, was released on 50,000 Australian dollars (\$35,250) bail and ordered to appear in court in Melbourne on Thursday. Southern Cross operates Compass Airlines, a domestic carrier that went into voluntary receivership last week after a 9.2 million dollar refinancing package had failed to materialize.

Southern Cross's chairman, Sam Coats, said the board had trusted Mr. Reid's pledge that the financing would come from an associated company.

U.S. FUTURES

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U.S. / AT THE CLOSE

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Dividend to Drop 29% As Glut Hits De Beers

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches LONDON — Profit plunged 35 percent at De Beers last year, due to the worldwide diamond glut that prompted the South African-controlled cartel to scale back its purchases from affiliated mines, the company said Tuesday.

Sweden Is Told It Must Trim Services

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches STOCKHOLM — Sweden can drag itself out of its deepest recession in more than 50 years but only through a radical overhaul of its spending and social policies, a special economic panel said Tuesday.

BASF, Hoechst Cut Payouts

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches FRANKFURT — Two leading German chemical companies, BASF AG and Hoechst AG, said Tuesday they were cutting their dividends following a slump in profits for 1992.

EC Blames Slump and U.S. For Woes in Steel Industry

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches BRUSSELS — The United States is more to blame than Eastern Europe for the crisis facing the European Community's steel industry, Trade Policy Commissioner Sir Leon Brittan said Tuesday.

Healthy Loans Help Profit at Generale Bank

AFP-EurTel News BRUSSELS — Generale Bank, Belgium's biggest bank, said Tuesday that a prudent lending policy and falling interest rates had helped it raise net profit by 11.7 percent last year, to 10.73 billion francs (\$312.6 million).

Loss for Renault Trucks

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches PARIS — Renault's bus and truck-making business tumbled to a net loss of 1.623 billion francs (\$289 million) last year as the European truck market contracted, the company said Tuesday.

NYSE

Table with columns for High, Low, Stock, Div, Yld, PE, etc. under the heading 'Tuesday's Closing'.

AMEX High-Lows

Table with columns for High, Low, Stock, Div, Yld, PE, etc. under the heading 'NEW HIGHS' and 'NEW LOWS'.

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On April 5th, the IHT will publish an advertising section on Software Among the topics to be covered are: Computer Aided Design and Computer Aided Engineering

Meet Sonic the Hedgehog. The new Golden Boy of the Paris stock exchange. On the 10th March 1993 Sega Enterprises Ltd lists its shares on the Paris stock exchange.

Investor's Europe Frankfurt DAX, London FTSE 100 index, Paris CAC 40. Includes line graphs for each index and a table of exchange rates.

- Very briefly: The ruble was fixed at a record low of 650 to the dollar Tuesday, down from 648 at the previous fixing Thursday and the previous record of 649.

Chirac Threatens EC Over Farm Pact

Paris — President François Mitterrand met President Bill Clinton in Washington for a first exchange of views expected to include trans-Atlantic trade tensions.

France's Socialist government had threatened to veto the U.S.-EC deal if it came to a vote in the Community, forcing the Danish presidency to withdraw the issue from discussion at a foreign ministers' meeting Monday in Brussels.

Mr. Chirac said of the accord: "We reject it completely. The Americans are going to be justifiably outraged. There will be a test of strength. It won't be the first."

"This is going to be a question of the balance of power."

center-right government, the Gaullist leader Jacques Chirac said France must utterly dissociate itself from an EC-U.S. accord on farm trade drafted last year.

The accord is widely seen as the key to concluding the six-year, 108-nation negotiations to liberalize world commerce under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade. The talks are known as the Uruguay Round.

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trip west of Paris on the day when President François Mitterrand met President Bill Clinton in Washington for a first exchange of views expected to include trans-Atlantic trade tensions.

The Economist Names Its Editor

LONDON — The Economist Newspaper Ltd. said on Tuesday it had chosen Bill Emmott to be the new editor of the British news magazine. Mr. Emmott, 37, the present business affairs editor, will take over at the end of March when Rupert Pennant-Rea leaves to become deputy governor at the Bank of England.

The Economist, a well-respected guide to news and finance, has worldwide weekly sales of 500,000, of which just over 100,000 are sold in Britain and 200,000 in North America.

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NASDAQ

Tuesday's Prices
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High	Low	Stock	Dr	Ytd	PE	High	Low	Label	Chg
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45.00	44.00	AMGEN			24	45.00	44.00	AMGEN	
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25.00	24.00	AMGEN			24	25.00	24.00	AMGEN	
15.00	14.00	AMGEN			24	15.00	14.00	AMGEN	

High	Low	Stock	Dr	Ytd	PE	High	Low	Label	Chg
100.00	98.00	ALCOA			24	100.00	98.00	ALCOA	
80.00	78.00	ALCOA			24	80.00	78.00	ALCOA	
60.00	58.00	ALCOA			24	60.00	58.00	ALCOA	
40.00	38.00	ALCOA			24	40.00	38.00	ALCOA	
20.00	18.00	ALCOA			24	20.00	18.00	ALCOA	

AMEX

Tuesday's Closing
Tables include the nationwide closing prices up to the closing on Wall Street and do not reflect late trades elsewhere. Via The Associated Press

High	Low	Stock	Dr	Ytd	PE	High	Low	Label	Chg
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5.00	4.00	AMEX			24	5.00	4.00	AMEX	

High	Low	Stock	Dr	Ytd	PE	High	Low	Label	Chg
100.00	98.00	ALCOA			24	100.00	98.00	ALCOA	
80.00	78.00	ALCOA			24	80.00	78.00	ALCOA	
60.00	58.00	ALCOA			24	60.00	58.00	ALCOA	
40.00	38.00	ALCOA			24	40.00	38.00	ALCOA	
20.00	18.00	ALCOA			24	20.00	18.00	ALCOA	

SPORTS BASEBALL

For A's, the Year Of the Turnover AL West Champs Rebuild With Array of New Faces

By Murray Chass

SCOTTSDALE, Arizona — The subject is not restricted to fans and reporters. It has infiltrated the Oakland Athletics clubhouse, too. "Among the players, we're talking about it," said catcher Terry Steinbach. "Who's going to replace Stew? Who's going to replace Mike Moore? Who's going to take Carney's job? But you can't do it. These guys are gone. We had great times together. Now we have new guys and we have to use their talent."

The A's, winners of four American League West championships in the last five years, have undergone a remarkable turnover. Of the 31 players who were on their roster or disabled list on the last Opening Day, 15 are gone; of the 32 who were on their roster or disabled list on Aug. 31, the day before rosters expanded to 40, 12 are gone.

Most noticeably absent from the team's workout site at Scottsdale Community College are the starting pitchers Dave Stewart and Mike Moore (free agents) and third baseman Carney Lansford (retired). But also no longer in the A's camp are designated hitter Harold Baines, shortstop Walt Weiss, reserves Willie Wilson, Jamie Quirk and Randy Ready and relief pitchers Jeff Russell, Jeff Parrett and Jim Corsi.

Jose Canseco isn't here either; he was traded to Texas last season. "We've never had this many new faces at one time," said Steinbach, whose Oakland tenure began a year before the championship run. "But there's still a nucleus and the philosophy of how Tony plays ball — what he wants to do, how he wants to do it, what he has done in the past. We're just doing it with different players."

Tony La Russa compared this team to the 1988 collection, which also had experienced a sizable turnover.

"Experts said it would take awhile to come together," La Russa said. "Yeah, it will take awhile, but we have six weeks here. I've seen some teams real tight make no changes, and the next year they're going in all sorts of directions." The Athletics could have lost more players to free agency this past winter. But Steinbach, Mark McGwire and Ruben Sierra, among others, decided to re-sign after it appeared the club might let them go elsewhere while concentrating on efforts to sign Stewart and Moore.

Describing the direction of the club's off-season strategy, La Russa said, "From where we started, there definitely was a turn to the right, a stop at a stop sign and then a left turn." It was the market that prompted the sudden change in thinking. "A few days into the market, it was obvious we were going to have to do some serious thinking," La Russa said. "If we signed pitchers, we wouldn't have been able to put a team on the field."

Stewart signed with Toronto on Dec. 8, Moore with Detroit the next day. In a 10-day period, Dec. 14-24, the A's signed Steinbach, Ron Darling, Baines, Sierra and McGwire. "I was worried there for a while," said Dennis Eckersley, the A's relief ace. "We hadn't signed Steinie, Mac and Sierra. That would've hurt."

Money and numbers combined to create a nasty dilemma for the Athletics. They had 15 free agents and a \$46 million payroll they wanted to slash. Sandy Alderson, the man responsible for the payroll and the roster, appears to have succeeded in reducing the former to \$36 million. His efforts with the latter remain to be seen.

"If there's any club that can handle the turnover," Darling said, "it's this club. Last year, no team had more injuries than this team. People use injury as an excuse. Tony uses it as a strength."

Despite the wholesale changes, La Russa has a basically set starting lineup, with Steinbach catching, Sierra and the Hendersons (Dave and Rickey) in the outfield and McGwire at first base. Lance Blankenship at second and Mike Bordick at shortstop. Kevin Seitzer, Jerry Browne and Scott Brosius will compete for playing time at third, and rookie Troy Neal will have a chance to be the designated hitter.

The biggest potential problem is the pitching staff. La Russa has starters Bob Welch, Darling and Bobby Witt from last season, plus Storm Davis. The fifth could be Bob Milacki, Kelly Downs or Joe Siskuski. Eckersley is in place as the closer, but other spots in the bullpen are open.

The way Eckersley sees it, if the Athletics have to have a questionable area, better it be pitching. "That's our forte," he said. "Tony's a pitchers' manager; we have a good pitching coach and a good park to pitch in."

How successful La Russa and Dave Duncan are in molding a new pitching staff could determine how far the Athletics go in the division race. So could the melding of the new players into the winning ways the incumbents have experienced. "It's an area we'll have to pay better attention to," Steinbach said, on the prospects for a cohesive unit. "In the past, we knew the personalities of all the guys on the club."

La Russa said he would run the same spring camp as in other years. "We gear our camp to the newest or youngest player," he said. "If we hadn't made any changes, we would do it the same way. The older guys need reminding."

Who of the departed will the team miss the most? "Stew as a pitcher, Carney as a player. Lach as a coach," La Russa said, adding Rene Lachemann, who now manages the Florida Marlins. "They're as good as you can get at their positions."



SPRING IS SPRUNG — Steve Sax, leaping over the Twins' Derek Parks, got a double play as the White Sox won, 11-5, in a spring training game in Sarasota, Florida. Ozzie Guillen drove in three runs, two on a double in the four-run sixth inning, for the White Sox. Elsewhere, Mike Sharperson's bases-loaded grounder skipped past first baseman Jeff Conine with two outs in the eighth, allowing two runs to score to tie the game and setting the stage for the Marlins' first loss in history after three straight exhibition victories. The other expansion team, the Rockies, also lost for the first time as defending NL home run champion Fred McGriff finally broke his spring training drought with a two-run shot for San Diego. Jeff Reardon, the all-time saves leader who is trying to win a job with Cincinnati, gave up two runs on three hits in the ninth inning of the Reds' 5-4 victory over the Tigers.

Youth's Perils, and Joys

International Herald Tribune

MELBOURNE — This playground for the world's youngsters of soccer is anything but a place of innocence.

So many young athletes crowd us in physique by their teens, and burgeoning numbers of them learn to count in millions before they graduate from school.

And here in Australia, where soccer is predominant by an immigrant nation, the World Youth Championships have already assumed major problems with discipline, of legs broken and careers threatened, of nationalistic tensions you would not wish on any child of yours.

Yet some are flourishing in the cauldron. At 17, 18, 19, we see youths that are virtually men in their handling of the high stakes and high pressures. We see a tournament unfolding that is, clearly, higher in standard than the Olympic soccer of Barcelona, higher in spectacle than most of the unglamorous 1990 World Cup in Italy.

A ferocious crackdown by authority plays a part. FIFA had to do something after the way Argentina and others blatantly abused the spirit of the game at Italia '90. Put simply, the ruling body knows it cannot take a cheat's game onto the playing fields of that other rookie soccer country, the United States, for the senior World Cup in 15 months from now.

In essence, these under-20 players are paying the price for the sins of their elders. In the first 10 matches here there have been 42 yellow card cautions, four red card ejections.

The cards are scattered like confetti, and often the judgment of referees is as suspect as the players they condemn. In truth, some players have got away with base villainy, with fouls that have broken legs, while others have been ordered off for misdemeanors.

They are the victims of a clean up that gives no one the benefit of doubt, not even the arbiters. Yet we know the reason for the purge, we ought to support its intent and hope there is humanity enough on the part of the FIFA lords and the media to revise and revise these draconian measures until sanity and decency prevail.

Meanwhile, I don't doubt that the emphasis is swinging back toward forwards whose legitimate aggression and sense of adventure is regaining the ascendancy.

I WAS WRONG to say there is no innocence. Nil Lamptey, the king among a handful of majestic Ghanaians, had his name taken for a half-hearted attempt to copy Diego Maradona's "hand of God" goal. Lamptey instantly knew he had invited the punishment, though when Maradona did it in 1986 he was rewarded with a goal and the same FIFA hierarchy condoned his act by saying that it was the referee's fault for being duped by Maradona's cunning.

But it was not merely Lamptey's quiet acknowledgment of his yellow card that suggested innocence. That came later when, creating and missing a wonderful scoring opportunity, he hid to his knees, the most engagingly boyish grin on his face. A boy in the body of a man displaying the freedom to laugh at his own mistake. Wonderful. Lamptey is, however, also a team player. He played

a bit part in one of the most memorable goals in years by his countryman, Emmanuel Duah. It was Duah who danced through Germany's defense. Duah whose movement and execution seemed to say to his audience: Look at me. I'm a peacock. I can be as good as Lamptey, enjoy, enjoy.

Yet we are not sure Ghana will reach the last eight, for liberation demands a sense of order and responsibility which is not the African force.

Cameroon is evidence of that. A team underprepared, devastatingly underfunded, it missed much with an unprofessional lack of discipline that could not be excused on grounds of poverty.

Yes, Cameroon had a wild streak in the 1990 World Cup. Yes, its use of 15-year-olds in the shirts of much older boys was the other side of innocence. The hope must be that someone will pick the boys up off their knees and install in them a way of fulfilling talent without surrendering the basic tenets of the game.

They could look, in this tournament alone, to Roberto Adriano, a fantastic right-footer whose free kicks make sudden dips in flight as if guided by radar.

They could study Colombia's Henry Zambrano, a gifted individual of quite astounding speed and imagination.

They could see how vital is the balance between controlling the mind and heart, and mastering the ball skills. Portugal and Turkey, the reigning world and European under-20 champions, are down and virtually out because they failed to harness ability to work ethic.

TWO TEAMS of lesser skill yet greater achievement are Australia and the United States. The Rockies of the sport have shown the virtues of committed teamwork.

The Australians, an integrated amalgam of their diverse ethnic roots, play a tough, inspired, attacking game to the roar of the home crowd. The Americans run six goals past Turkey, an astonishing display of ground passing and shooting by the All-American college boys Inad Baha and Chris Fakiaris.

All-Americans? By birth and upbringing, believe it. But Baha has more than a little Palestinian blood in him, and Fakiaris was elated with the way the Greek community have embraced his three goals.

This wine and roses, happily celebrated at a modest picnic before the opening match in Melbourne, is a bond of commonality rather than a divisive trend at these championships.

But if those scoring youngsters draw the bulk of the praise, we can salute, too, the gymnastics of a goalkeeper whose art is no less flamboyant. He is Jeff Cassar, who learned his acts of defiance in an aptly named Michigan school, the Winston Churchill High. Cassar almost single-handedly kept at bay Churchill's own nation on Tuesday.

The Americans made four thrilling saves before England finally breached his defense and will surely become the U.S. team's No. 1 goalkeeper. He will probably have the scouts at his feet. And I don't suppose he will ever forget his country's joining in with the world game, any more than we will fail to thank of Melbourne '93 as the time and the place we saw a goalkeeper fly.

Yes, we are getting closer, America, to the roundball game.

Rob Hughes is on the staff of The Times.

England Defeats U.S. in 69th Minute

The Associated Press

MELBOURNE — Chris Bart-Williams scored in the 69th minute Tuesday for a 1-0 victory over the United States as both England and two-time champion Brazil made virtually certain of qualifying for the last eight in soccer's World Youth Championship.

England, which dominated for long periods in its Group C match, will advance to the quarterfinals unless it loses its final match to Turkey by more than four goals.

Bart-Williams, the Sheffield Wednesday midfielder, scored off an inbound pass with a shot into the upper left corner of the net

after U.S. goalkeeper Jeff Cassar had made a succession of brilliant saves.

"We took the game to the Americans and made it hard for them," said England's coach, David Burnside.

The Americans, who had beaten Turkey, 6-0, in their opener, struggled against the closer marking of the English team, which includes a number of Premier League players.

In the other Group C match, South Korea and Turkey drew, 1-1. The United States and South Korea, who meet Thursday, each have two points, Turkey one. The top two teams in each of the four groups advance to the weekend

quarterfinals in the tournament.

Brazil, with penalties by playmaker Adriano and Gilm, beat Mexico, 2-1, in a Group D match in Adelaide. Vicente Nieto scored a consolation goal for Mexico.

The Brazilians will advance unless they suffer a heavy loss to Norway on Thursday.

Norway dominated its match but Saudi Arabia posted its second straight 0-0 draw although having star player Fahad Al Ghesheyan sent off in the second half for a wild tackle.

Speedy attacker Fabian O'Neil scored a goal in each half as Uruguay won, 2-1, in Brisbane and eliminated winless Portugal, winner of the tournament in both 1989 and 1991.

Uruguay is in a three-way struggle with Germany and Ghana for the two quarterfinal places from Group B. Uruguay and Germany each have three points after two games, while Ghana has two.

O'Neil was on target in the ninth and 88th minutes; Portugal's goal came from Borussia striker Barjoo in the 34th minute.

Germany needed a spectacular 81st minute overhead kick from striker Carsten Jancker to get a 2-2 draw with African champion Ghana in the other match of the Brisbane doubleheader. Emmanuel Duah had given Ghana the lead 10 minutes earlier.

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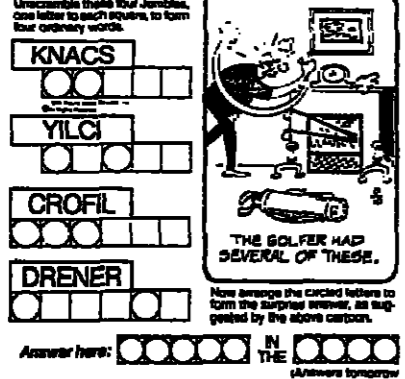
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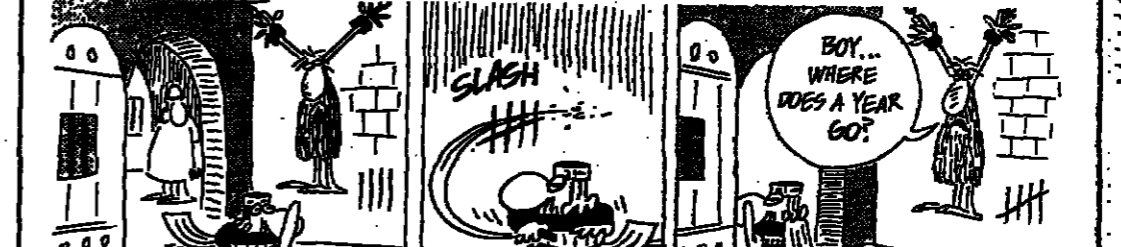
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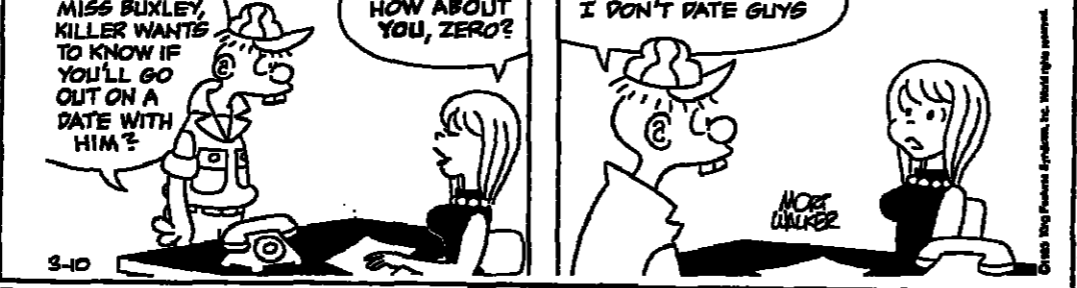
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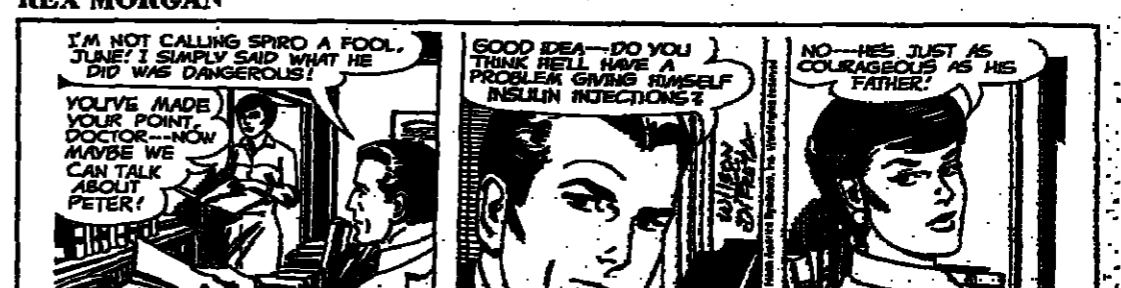
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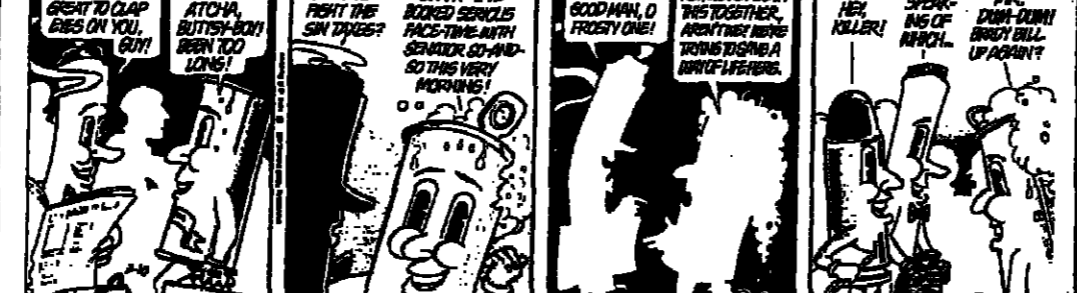
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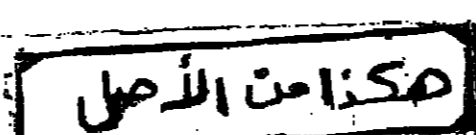


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SPORTS FOOTBALL

Western Kentucky Wins NCAA Berth

Final Showdown Leads to First Loss In League for No. 13 New Orleans

The Associated Press
Western Kentucky, rather than waiting to find out if it had enough for an at-large berth, has won an automatic bid to the NCAA tournament.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Monday night in the league's championship game.
"There are no more questions to answer," Western Kentucky coach Ralph Willard said. "We're in. I thought we were in before this tournament, but this answers all doubts about our team."

New Orleans (26-3) went 18-0 in the conference during the regular season, was on a 13-game winning streak and had virtually assured itself of an NCAA bid.
Western Kentucky (24-5) was second to the Privateers in the conference and the only two losses in its last 16 games were to New Orleans.



Michael Williams of the Timberwolves took his best shot at the ball and missed as Andrew Lang and the 76ers won, 92-83, for their new coach, Fred Carter, halting a seven-game road losing streak.

Schrempf Gives the Pacers an Iron Man

The Associated Press
Meet the National Basketball Association's new iron man: Detlef Schrempf.

In the last two games, the Indiana Pacers center has played all 96 minutes. That may be fine with his coach, Bob Hill, but it didn't do much for the Seattle SuperSonics.

Sonics, 57-45, with Dale Davis getting 15 and Rik Smits 10. Those three wound up with 16 offensive rebounds, just four short of the Seattle starting front-line's overall total at both ends.

The SuperSonics had won six straight road games.
Shawn Kemp led them with 16 points and nine rebounds, but fouled out with 10:38 to go after getting two personals 28 seconds apart.

Anthony Mason's bank shot gave New York a 105-104 edge, the game's 30th and final lead change. Then Ewing's three-point play with 1:03 left made it a 4-point advantage.

Donald Royal made it 108-106 with two free throws. Nick Anderson, who led Orlando with 24 points, made 1 of 2 with 22 seconds to go, pulling the Magic within one, and the Knicks' John Starks, who had 27 points, was called for traveling.

Jordan was confined to informal shooting. His status against the visiting Seattle SuperSonics would not be determined until game time Tuesday.

"I'm feeling a lot better," Jordan said after practice. "I haven't really tested the foot. I'm just learning how to walk again, trying to get over the pain I had. I'll give it more push in the morning and see how it responds. Right now, it's a day-to-day thing. But if the game was today I couldn't play."

NBA HIGHLIGHTS

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Elway, With \$20 Million, Becomes NFL's Top Paid

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

DENVER — John Elway is getting four more years to win a Super Bowl for the Denver Broncos, who reportedly have given him the richest contract in the National Football League, a four-year deal worth \$20 million, to help them win that elusive championship.

The quarterback's new contract was announced late Monday by the Broncos' owner, Pat Bowlen, on a day when several other players were plucked from the ranks of the league's newly minted free agents.

Elway's \$20 million will put him ahead of the Miami Dolphins' quarterback Dan Marino, who at \$4.4 million a year had been considered the NFL's highest-paid player based on his five-year, \$22 million contract that went into effect last season.

Elway, who quarterbacked Denver to the Super Bowl three times, but never won, hinted that he might have changed teams if Wade Phillips had not replaced Dan Reeves as coach in January.

"That was something I would have had to evaluate and take a look at," he said. "When you look at what's going on now with the steps the organization is taking to improve our football team, I think it's exciting. I'm just glad I didn't have to cross that bridge."

His day was made happier when more press protection was added to his financial security, the Broncos also signing offensive tackle Brian Habib of the Minnesota Vikings.

Last week, the Broncos signed free agent left tackle Don Mags. He and Habib give the Broncos more bulk on the offensive line. Mags is 6 feet, 5 inches and 296 pounds (157 meters, 134 kilograms). Habib is 6-7 and 299 pounds.

Habib signed a series of three one-year contracts for \$4.2 million, his agent said, which would make him the NFL's highest-paid offensive lineman.

"For so long, it seemed like we were just stale and never tried to improve ourselves. I think we're really taking steps this year, which is real exciting," Elway said.

So is his annual pay, which jumped from \$2.1 million a year. Elway's agent, Marvin Demoff, who also represents Marino, said he cut Elway a "Marino-like deal."

The contract will take the 32-year-old Elway through 1996, his 14th year with Denver.

Acquired in a trade with the Colts in 1983, Elway has been the Broncos' starter since 1984. He has led Denver to three victories in four AFC Western Division titles and six playoff berths.



Quarterback John Elway of the Broncos: Raring to go again.

source said the deal was for more than \$1 million a year for three years.

Marshall, 31, said the Jets' signing of Lott helped in his decision.

"This guy has been a great player for a long time," Marshall said. "This is a heck of an opportunity to play with him, he's definitely a Hall of Famer."

Lott sports four Super Bowl rings from his 10 seasons with the San Francisco 49ers. And last season, at the age of 33, in his second season with the Los Angeles Raiders, he led his team in tackles. He turns 34 in May.

The free safety is first in interceptions among active players with 60. He has played in the Pro Bowl 10 times.

In general, he will bring to the erratic Jets a personal tradition of excellence — and will thereby serve, team officials hoped, as an inducement to other free agents to sign.

In a related development, U.S. District Court Judge David S. Doty, who is overseeing the settlement of the NFL's free-agency cases, has denied a request by linebacker Wilber Marshall that his objection to being named the Washington Redskins' "franchise player" be heard quickly.

Doty said in a letter to Marshall's attorney that the proposed settlement terms "were fair, reasonable and adequate," and that Marshall was free to pursue his objections, with those of any other players, at the final approval hearing on April 16. (AP, NYT, WP)

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Russian Pairs Dominate First Part of Ice Dancing

The Associated Press

PRAGUE — Favorites Maia Usova and Alexander Zhulin of Russia took the lead in ice dancing after Tuesday compulsory performances at the World Figure Skating Championships.

Usova and Zhulin scored mostly 5.8s and 5.9s in the compulsory section that counts 40 percent of the total score.

Russians Oksana Grischuk and Evgeni Platov were second. A third Russian duo, Angelika Krylova and Vladimir Fedorov, were tied with Finland's Susanna Rookhama and Petri Kokko for third.

Besides the three Russian pairs in medal positions, dancers from the former Soviet Union took another three places in the top 10.

The competition continues with Thursday's original dance, when all couples dance to versions of the Viennese waltz rhythm, and concludes with Friday's free dance.

The International Skating Union said it was taking under consideration the criticism of the elimination rounds of the individual events, but that no changes could take place before 1995.

It said it had received applications for reinstatement at the 1994 Winter Olympics from Ekaterina Gordeeva and Sergei Grinkov, who were four years ago, and from Natalia Mishkutenko and Artur Dmitriev, the Russians who took the gold medal last year at the Olympic Games. Both Russian pairs then turned to professional skating.

Britain's Jayne Torvill and Christopher Dean, the 1984 Olympic ice dancing champions, will be applying for readmission to compete in next year's Lillehammer Games, according to Lawrence Demmy of Britain, a senior member of the International Skating Union's executive council.

Major College Scores

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OBSERVER

The Gloom of Winter

By Russell Baker

NEW YORK — It has been a bad season for practically everything. Extremists and fundamentalists are always ready to do their worst but this winter's gloom has inspired them to unusual exertions in the struggle to make the world a little worse every day.

They always toil for praiseworthy causes, of course, which makes you reluctant to complain that it is rotten of them to be so indifferent to their fellow creatures. One feels obliged these days to suffer for other people's praiseworthy causes, even if you have never heard of them.

Then there is this particular winter's peculiar gloom, which very little of the United States have felt. Returning from deepest Florida the other day, I astonished natives from Bangor, Maine, to Savannah, Georgia, with news that down there among the palm and hibiscus they have this remarkable celestial object called "the sun."

The casual shootings of children, women and infants — not to mention the usual men in the 18-to-28-year-old bracket — seem more intense than usual. Can our domestic murderers be shooting overtime in an effort to show the world that proficient though the butchers of the Balkans may look, America is still No. 1 in bestiality?

In this regard, consider the evil the winter has visited on gun buyers: Virginia has just passed a law forbidding purchase of more than one gun per month. Only one gun a month! Next thing you know they won't even let a decent law-abiding citizen buy an atom bomb to protect his own home.

Speaking of killing, can't anybody stop the baseball rascals before they kill again? I refer to their latest scheme to make baseball even duller. Baseball is already the slowest sport this side of long-distance needlepoint, yet the owners are not content.

Last fall, you may remember if your taste runs to masochism, you stayed awake long after David Letterman had gone to bed, hoping to see the end of World Series games that were apparently timed to catch the prime-time audience in Samoa.

Worse is ahead. To take the final

drop of suspense out of baseball, the owners plan to do away with the old-fashioned pennant races and install a complicated playoff system copied from professional basketball and football.

As in those sports, a team will no longer have to be the best during the season to become a league champion; it will need only to finish among the top 8, or 12, or 16 teams, depending on how much the owners want to dilute the competition in order to keep their parks filled with the hometown fans.

And what a grim season it has been for all who follow the ever-shifting tides of medical science in pursuit of eternal life. Signals have just been changed on mammograms for younger women. This month's report holds they are a waste of money. Tomorrow of course could bring precisely opposite advice. In the ever-changing world of popular medicine, people must be ready to change directions on an instant's notice if they hope to reach Eternal Life.

But what if you have a bald spot on the back of the skull? Medicine has just made a startling discovery which can best be expressed in the idiom of a golden oldie but goodie: *duh head bone connected to duh heart bone.*

Or, in George Bush idiom, a bald spot on the back of the skull means heart-attack city. And what can be done? Can hair implants save the endangered heart? I'm betting on a boom in the toupee industry.

The best hope, however, for men with these deadly bald spots is to sit tight until medical science revisits the scene. If matters follow the usual course, they will discover there is no connection whatever between baldness and heart disease, but that back-of-the-skull patches result from not eating enough celery.

If an omelet with the wisdom of exercise in the quest for eternal life, you may see a way out. While waiting for better bald-spot news, perhaps you will be tempted to exercise, but according to the latest bulletin, it will help you live only 10 months longer. Ten months is not to be sneezed at, but eternity it's not. An hour in the gym, on the other hand, often feels even longer.

New York Times Service

Life After Picasso: Republican Virtue

By Karen DeWitt

WASHINGTON — There is only the faintest whiff of perfume about Arianna Stassinopoulos Huffington, but, oh, how big is the scent of virtue.

Mrs. Huffington, the titan-haired wife of the newly elected Representative Michael Huffington, Republican of California, and the author of controversial best-sellers on Maria Callas and Pablo Picasso and friend of Bernard Levin, Ann Getty, Barbara Walters and Mortimer B. Zuckerman, has reinvented herself. Again.

This time, her goal is the redemption of the Republican Party. If she has her way, greed and selfishness will be banished forever, to be replaced by altruism, compassion and the "kindler, gentler" America George Bush talked about but failed to deliver.

Already, Huffington has convinced her husband, a Republican millionaire whose family made its money in Texas oil, to contribute his \$133,600-a-year congressional salary to a charitable venture of which she was a co-founder in Santa Barbara, California, called "Partnership for Children of Santa Barbara County."

But what's her motive? Is there a power vacuum in Democratic D.C. that she can exploit? Will she be a Republican Pamela Harriman, keeping the social fires lit until the party returns to power?

"I think the times are different," said Huffington. She was talking about what she calls the fourth instinct after survival, sex and power. "The fourth instinct is that longing to find a meaning in life that goes beyond our own preoccupations; basically an instinct that takes us outside of ourselves." "The Fourth Instinct," not surprisingly, is also the title of her latest book, to be published by Simon & Schuster later this year.

It is an odd notion to link altruism and compassion with conservatives, considering last year's Republican convention. Still, like the god Hermes with whom she identifies, Huffington hustles generosity and justice into the halls of conservatism with the panache of the winged messenger.

Huffington may chide, she may scold, but she is never not nice. And though she is a congressional spouse, she feels no compunction to censor herself for the sake of her husband's career.

"Arianna always played the game and she always wins it," John O'Sullivan said. "She gets on by never being nasty about people and it pays."

Certainly, Huffington was very beatish. She talked about her husband's election ("When your husband's very engaged in something, your marriage is better"), showed pictures of the couple's two daughters, pressed cookies on her visitors and asked for all calls to be held — though the request was quickly overridden with a series of interruptions: a call from her housekeeper in California about her children; one from a local realtor calling about a property the Huffingtons are considering as a home; flowers from the hotel, and a flagon of hot water for tea.

The 42-year-old author was born in Greece and educated at Cambridge. She was the second woman president of the Cambridge debating society, and has long been known for her skill at cultivating friends like Levin, Getty, Walters and Zuckerman. She can drop a quote from Dierckx, Lysander or St. Paul into a conversation as daintily as she wields her teacup.



Arianna Huffington, writer and Congressional wife.

Huffington has made a career out of upending the conventional view of everything from feminism — women do have different needs than men — to Pablo Picasso, a great artist but not a nice man.

She next moved to the world of art, ruffling the feathers of art mavens with her biography of Picasso, "Picasso: Creator and Destroyer" (Simon & Schuster, 1988). In it, she portrayed the artist's dark side, showing him to be a ruthless misogynist in private, a man who beat one of his mistresses into unconsciousness and left her lying on the floor.

In 1982, Arianna Stassinopoulos hit the Manhattan social scene like a *maitre* — whose dynamic storms that

appear out of nowhere each autumn to roll the shallow Mediterranean waters around Greece.

Armed with introductions and advice from everyone on the socialite Fleur Cowles: Lord Berenstein, the founder of Granada Television, and George Weidenfeld, her publisher, she was soon being squired about by Zuckerman and Edmund Brown Jr.

She wrote thank you notes, autographed and delivered her books to the famous and powerful, arranged dinner parties for visiting friends and showed riveting attention to any speaker.

As one dinner partner recalled in a 1983 New York magazine article: "She focused on me as if I was somewhere between Jesus Christ and Belshazzar. I thought, This woman is playing the role of a great conversationalist, and I know it — but it's still working."

Still, that elusive entity necessary to any woman who wishes to be taken seriously by society was missing: a rich and powerful husband.

Then her friend Ann Getty took her in hand. "She said we've got to get you married and she pulled out a yellow pad and began to jot down all the eligible men she knew," remembered Huffington with a laugh.

Getty introduced her to Michael Huffington, a Texas oil heir. Getty paid for the 1986 wedding; Barbara Walters and the White House chief of protocol, Seena (Lucky) Roosevelt, were bridesmaids.

Shortly after the honeymoon, her husband was named deputy assistant secretary of defense for negotiations policy and the Huffingtons moved into a five-story town house in Georgetown. And into this fairy-tale life came tragedy, when Huffington had a miscarriage.

"I had been longing to have a child, but I was determined that the Picasso book would be finished before the baby was stillborn after five months. But Michael and I had an incredible bonding. He spent three days in an Episcopalian monastery and at the end he decided he wanted to sell the oil business and live in California."

The couple moved into a peach-colored Italian villa in Montecito, just outside Santa Barbara and soon produced two daughters, Christina Sofia and Isabella Diana.

This was a far cry from her glory days as a social luminary in the steel canyons of Manhattan, which she now calls "a three-and-a-half-year stage that was almost 10 years ago."

"I've been keeping a journal during the campaign and I'm still keeping a journal, from a closer range," she said in her husky Greek accent.

Just in from a meeting of the International Club, a club for the spouses of legislators, ambassadors and journalists, she is full of an insider's insights.

"This luncheon now, it does epitomize a certain Washington attitude, that the main reason you are there is your husband's position. There is the stark fact that your name tag does not say author or doctor. I have to tell you that I have no problem with this."

"The first day of orientation for congressional spouses was very specific, about your husband's office. I'm not involved, but it was very clear that a lot of wives were very involved. They were involved in the hiring of staff, going on interviews. Of course, wives are involved in the campaign, but I expected to disengage after the campaign."

Huffington may have disengaged from her husband's political life, but only to engage in the quest for that last bastion of exclusivity: virtue.

PEOPLE

4 Césars for AIDS Film Honor Its Dead Director

Showing its emotion up front, the French film industry bestowed the best film prize and three other awards on "Les Nuits Fauves" (Savage Nights), the tale of a young man's struggle against AIDS, four days after its director-star died of the disease. The 18th Césars ceremony was dedicated to Cyril Collard, 35. His autobiographical story of a struggle to cope with the woman who loves him, the man he desires, and his certain death has become a cult hit in France. Catherine Deneuve won the prize for best actress for "Indochine" (Indochina), and Claude Rich as best actor in "Le Souper" (The Supper). The Spanish director Pedro Almodóvar's "High Heels" was judged the best foreign-language film.

John Travolta is keeping his neighbors awake with his large private jet. The neighbors have sued, and a Florida state court will decide if he is a nuisance. The upscale community of Port Orange near Orlando has its own private airport, and restricts airplanes to a 12,500-pound (5,700 kilogram) limit, a restriction that Travolta bought his Gulfstream G-2 plane, which weighs in at 50,000 pounds. His neighbors say the plane sounds like a commercial airliner.

The father-in-law of the Duke of York resigned from his job at a leading polo club following allegations over his private life. Major Ronald Ferguson, whose daughter Sarah (Fergie) Ferguson has separated from Prince Andrew, said he was stepping down in May from his post as sponsorship director at the Royal County of Berkshire Polo Club. The major is alleged to have had an affair with a woman polo friend, but said his resignation was not connected with the gossip.

Prince Philip piloted the royal jet for an official visit to the Caribbean, where he will visit schools and hospitals while island-hopping on the royal yacht Britannia.

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BOOKS

HAUNTS OF THE BLACK MASSEUR: The Swimmer As Hero. By Charles Sprawson. 307 pages. Pantheon. Reviewed by Jonathan Yardley. This oddly charming book is about swimming in much the same way that "Zen and the Art of Motorcycle Maintenance" is about Harley-Davidsons, which is to say that readers looking for an instruction manual had best look elsewhere. "Haunts of the Black Masseur" — the title comes from a story by Tennessee Williams — is a meditation both on the act of swimming and on its cultural, literary and psychological meaning; at times it borders on the precious,

but it is redeemed by the breadth of Charles Sprawson's reading and the liveliness of his mind. Early in the book Sprawson describes an unexpected encounter in Los Angeles with Murray Rose, the nonpareil Australian swimmer of the 1950s, who told him that "the principal quality... demanded of a swimmer is a feel for water," that "only those succeed who have a natural affinity for it." This feel for the water, along with "the peculiar psychology of the swimmer," is the principal subject of "Haunts of the Black Masseur," but Sprawson approaches it by oblique angles rather than directly; he writes about men and women who have loved to swim, indeed have been obsessed by it, and wanders rather randomly through the history of swimming from Greece to the present. Sprawson is English; he sees swimming through an English lens. He believes, for example, that the "two pivotal figures in swimming history" are Annette Kellerman and Matthew Webb; the former a turn-of-the-century British music-hall star who staged swimming spectacles on both sides of the Atlantic; the latter the first man to swim the English Channel, in 1875. Of the importance of these two people there can be no question; inasmuch as their names no longer live in the public imagination such as do those of, say, Florence Chadwick and Johnny Weissmuller, it is at least debatable whether they were as "pivotal" as Sprawson claims. But matters of national pride really are inconsequential. There can be no doubt of the essential soundness of Sprawson's view that swimming went into a long decline toward the end of the Roman Em-

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